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March 29, 1983

Mr. Peter Behrens, President
Great Salt Lake Minerals & Chemicals Corp.
P.O. Box 1190
Odgen, Utah

RE: Tentative Approval
Little Mountain Mine
ACT/057/002
Weber County, Utah

Dear Mr. Behrens:

On March 24, 1983 the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining concurred with the Division's decision to issue tentative approval to the Little Mountain Mine. A required 30 day comment period to solicit public comment will commence upon publication of an abbreviated version of the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

Final approval for the mine plan will be issued when the following conditions have been satisfied:

1. No adverse comments to the project are received during the 30 day public comment period.
2. Reclamation surety, as approved by the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, has been posted. (Board approval of the form and amount of surety will be considered during the April hearing.)
3. Great Salt Lake Minerals & Chemicals Company (GSLM) has accepted in writing, the following stipulations:
 - a. Since GSLM has not specifically committed to sampling of soils from the borrow areas, GSLM should adopt the recommendations made in the Division's February 9, 1983 letter for soil sampling, with additional analysis done for nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. Any proposed changes in the sampling scheme must be submitted to the Division for approval at least 60 days prior to any reclamation occurring.

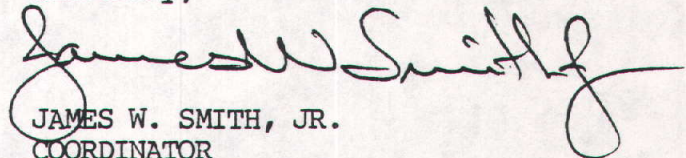
If the other two borrow areas, which are not currently being used are anticipated to be disturbed, soil analysis as described above will be done prior to reclamation of these areas.

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- b. Likewise, GSLM has not submitted a complete revegetation plan. The recommended seed mix, revegetation techniques and monitoring plan as detailed in the February 9, 1983 letter should become GSLM's reclamation plan for the time being. Any changes proposed for reclamation of a disturbed area must be submitted to the Division for approval at least 60 days prior to commencement of revegetation activities.
4. GSLM should revise the MR Form 8 submitted on March 4, 1983 (a replacement is enclosed). This currently indicates a request for a variance from Rule M-10(4) Slopes, when the actual request should be for a variance from Rule M-10(14) Topsoil.

If you should have further questions about the above conditions or the permitting process in general, please call me or Susan Linner of my staff. Your cooperation has been appreciated.

Sincerely,



JAMES W. SMITH, JR.
COORDINATOR
MINED LAND DEVELOPMENT

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Enclosure

cc: Donald G. Prince, State Lands & Forestry